

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 445

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSALIND JONES

COURTS/CITY: Increases the civil jurisdictional amount for the City Court of Monroe

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 4843(E) and (H), relative to city  
3 courts; to increase the jurisdictional amount in dispute for the City Court of Monroe;  
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. Code of Civil Procedure Article 4843(E) and (H) are hereby amended and  
7 reenacted to read as follows:

8 Art. 4843. City court jurisdiction; amount in dispute; injunctive actions by state or  
9 political subdivision

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11 E. In the City Court of Abbeville, the City Court of Baker, the City Court of  
12 Bogalusa, the City Court of Bunkie, the City Court of Eunice, the City Court of  
13 Kaplan, the City Court of Lake Charles, the City Court of Marksville, ~~the City Court~~  
14 ~~of Monroe~~, the City Court of Natchitoches, a city court in New Orleans, the City  
15 Court of Opelousas, the City Court of Plaquemine, the City Court of Port Allen, the  
16 City Court of Ruston, the City Court of Shreveport, the City Court of Sulphur, the  
17 City Court of Winnsboro, and the City Court of Zachary, the civil jurisdiction is  
18 concurrent with the district court in cases where the amount in dispute, or the value  
19 of the property involved, does not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars.

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1                   H. In the City Court of Alexandria, the City Court of Monroe, and the City  
2                   Court of Pineville, the civil jurisdiction is concurrent with the district court in cases  
3                   where the amount in dispute, or the value of the property involved, does not exceed  
4                   the amount provided in Article 1732(1) for purposes of demanding a jury trial.

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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Increases the civil jurisdictional amount in dispute for the City Court of Monroe.

Present law provides that the civil jurisdictional amount in dispute for the City Court of Monroe is \$25,000.

Proposed law provides that the civil jurisdictional amount in dispute for the City Court of Monroe is an amount not to exceed the minimum amount necessary to give a right to a jury trial.

Proposed law retains present law (C.C.P. Art. 1732(1)) which provides that a jury trial shall not be available in a suit where the amount of no individual petitioner's cause of action exceeds \$50,000 exclusive of interest and costs.

(Amends C.C.P. Art. 4843(E) and (H))